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These documents were cited during prosecution of a Korean patent application corresponding to the above U.S. application. A copy of the Korean Search and Examination Report, which is dated January 30, 2004, is enclosed. In view of this date, it is hereby certified under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) that each document in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a

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